

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-4 and 6 are pending with entry of the present Amendment. Claims 1-4 have been amended to better claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention and for improved clarity. Claim 5 has been canceled without prejudice. Claim 6 has been added to define the use of the compound defined in claim 1. Support is found throughout the specification, particularly on page 3, lines 18-20 and in the Abstract. No new matter has been introduced with the present Amendment.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112:

Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as indefinite. Claims 1-4 have been amended to address the issues raised in the Office Action. With entry of this Amendment, this rejection is no longer relevant. Withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102:

Claims 4-5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as allegedly anticipated by Konoshima et al. (CA 69:103778). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Without acquiescing to this rejection and in the interest of advancing prosecution of this application, claim 4 has been amended to define a method for enhancing cognition in a subject by administering the compound of formula (II). Claim 5 has been canceled without prejudice. Claim 6 has been newly added to define a method for enhancing cognition in a subject by administering the compound of formula (I).

Applicants submit that the subject matter defined in amended claim 4 and new claim 6 is not anticipated by Kooshima et al. The cited art does not teach or suggest a method

of using the compounds represented by either formula (I) or (II) to enhance cognition.
Withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) is respectfully requested.

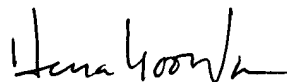
Conclusion:

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this case is in condition for allowance, and passage to issuance is respectfully requested.

If there are further issues related to patentability, the courtesy of a telephone interview is requested, and the Examiner is invited to call to arrange a mutually convenient time.

It is believed that this submission does not require the payment of any fees. However, if this is incorrect, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1969.

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